

I agree with the NCVECs. We should be promoting larger numbers of Amateur Radio Operators on the HF bands... trained and licenced as First Responders in modes of communication that are higher in speed and reliability than CW will allow. Why not, therefore, have Technicians, Generals and Extras with an elective endorsement for CW instead of the present requirement for such? This way the Generals and Extras who have worked hard to achieve competence at CW can be acknowledged for their accomplishment.

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